

Abstract

5 There is described a demand valve for a breathing
apparatus wherein a pilot jet of the demand valve is
controlled by a pivoting lever resiliently held against
a planar face in which the pilot jet is formed. The
10 pilot jet is preferably formed in a land surface
surrounded by a recessed area of the planar face, and
opening of the pilot jet is effected by movement of a
control projection mounted on the pivoting lever. The
area of the control projection is preferably greater than
15 the area of the land surface. A bypass arrangement for
a demand valve is also disclosed